
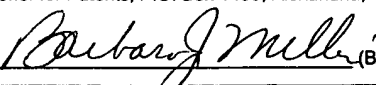
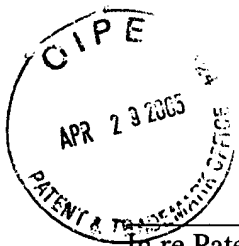




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Invention: MICROPARTICLES PRODUCED FROM CYCLIC OLEFIN COPOLYMERS AND THEIR USE FOR THE CONTROLLED RELEASE OF ACTIVE AGENTS					
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 2, 2005, finally rejecting claims 19-38,  
please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2  
of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.